

Press Release

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Mon Valley Drug Task Force Morgantown Police-Monongalia Co Sheriff

On 09/18/14, agents of the Mon Valley Drug Task Force (MVDTF) while continuing an ongoing investigation assisted by officers of the Morgantown Police Department Street Crimes Unit (SCU) apprehended and took into custody five (5) persons of interest as a result of a traffic stop in Morgantown yesterday afternoon 09/18/14. Later, as part of the same investigation, agents of Mon Valley Drug Task Force and Morgantown Police Department Street Crimes Unit apprehended and took into custody two people of interest leaving a residence in a vehicle. The vehicle was towed where a search warrant was eventually obtained and executed. Agents of the Mon Valley Drug Task Force had obtained a search warrant for a residence where Morgantown Police Department's Special Response Team (SRT) was activated and utilized to make entry into the residence. Agents from the Task Force apprehended and took into custody two (2) people in the residence and were assisted by Morgantown Police Department Detective Division with processing and collecting evidence.

The investigation involved the arrests of a total of nine people and charged with a variety of drug charges ranging from possession with intent to delivery of controlled substances, conspiracy, and weapons violations.

As part of yesterday's arrests and searches, nearly nineteen thousand dollars in US Currency, approximately 800 Oxycodone Pills (a schedule II controlled substance), and two firearms were seized.

Most of the individuals arrested were found to have extensive criminal histories involving gun and drug charges. One of the persons arrested was wanted in the state of Michigan for similar violations and authorities have been contacted in that jurisdiction.

Agents of the Mon Valley Drug Task Force as well as local law enforcement have been plagued by the infiltration and influx of persons from the out of state, particularly with those from Detroit, Michigan. In the past two to three years, agents from the Mon Valley Drug Task Force have successfully investigated and made arrests resulting in the incarceration of more than twenty five person associated with Detroit, Michigan.

Arrested were as follows:

Lance Harris	01/29/93	Delivery of Controlled Substance	Detroit, Michigan
Ronnie Days	11/06/90	Delivery of Controlled Substance (x3)	1487 Berkshire Westad, Michigan
Chantie Henderson	02/16/93	Conspiracy Possession w/ Intent	Bunker Hill, WV
Cary Daily	07/19/89	Delivery of Controlled Substance (x3)	Detroit, Michigan
Tyree Williams	10/19/93	Delivery of Controlled Substance	3650 Lincoln St Detroit, Michigan
Alan Watkins	06/30/91	Conspiracy	21246 Briarstone Harper Woods, Michigan
Caraun Key	12/14/91	Possession w/Intent Felon in Possession-Firearm	Detroit, Michigan
Thomas Franklin	02/02/92	Possession w/Intent	Detroit, Michigan
Marcus Franklin	03/05/93	Delivery of Controlled Substance (x2)	15903 Manning Detroit, Michigan

All subjects were arraigned at the Magistrate Court of Monongalia County.

The investigation is still ongoing and additional charges will be filed as well as additional suspects could face charges as a result of the investigation.

The Mon Valley Drug Task Force is comprised of officers from the Morgantown Police Department and Monongalia County Sheriff's Department.